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1. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 9:30 a.m. on February 2nd, 1954.

2. Attendance

Presidents:	Archbishop Athenagoras
	Bishop E. Berggrav
	Pastor Marc Boegner
	Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam
Chairman:	The Bishop of Chichester
Vice-Chairman:	Dr. Franklin Clark Fry
Members:	Archbishop Y. Brilioth
	Dr. L.E. Cooke
	Dr. A. Koechlin
	Dr. M. Niemöller
	Mrs.Leslie Swain
	Mr. Charles P. Taft
	Principal T.M. Taylor
Invited to sit in :	Dr. J.W. Kennedy
	Mr. G. Lombard
	President John Mackay
	Mr. Charles Parlin
	Dr. E.A. Payne
Staff W.C.C.	Mr. K. Baker
	Mlle M. Barot
	Mr. R.S. Bilheimer
	Dr. N. Ehrenström
	Miss J. Fraser
	Dr. H.H. Harms
	Dr. H. Kraemer
	Dr. R.C. Mackie
	Dr. Rajah Manikam
	Dr. R. Nelson
	Dr. O.F. Nolde
	Mr. F. Northam
	Dr. W.A. Visser 't Hooft
	Mr. A. de Weymarn
Staff I.M.C.	Dr. J.W. Decker
	Dr. Norman Goodall

Dr. Alivisatos sent a telegramme explaining his inability to attend because of illness.

3. Memorial to Miss Chakko and Dr. Sisco

The meeting was opened with prayers which included a memorial to Miss Sarah Chakko and Dr. Gordon Sisco, both of whom had passed away since the last meeting of the Executive.

4. Minutes of last meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting held August 5 - 9, 1953 at the Château de Bossey, Céligny, Switzerland, were accepted as circulated.

5. Report of the General Secretary

The General Secretary reported that preparations were going ahead for the second Assembly in Evanston. People had asked whether it was a good thing that the Assembly should now meet in America. This was indeed a time of deep political discussion and even conflict. But more important than this was a profound spiritual struggle, a struggle that had importance not only for America but for the whole world. So it might be said that it was indeed a good thing that the World Council was to meet this year in that American scene where it would have a special opportunity to strengthen the role its member Churches there were playing in that struggle. The American churches were aware as they had perhaps never been before of the necessity of making a clear distinction between the Church and the world. The World Council of Churches in its Assembly had a great responsibility not to be over-cautious - for that would be mere comedy - but to strive for a deep understanding of the nature of the struggle. People were aware that the Assembly would be an important event in the life both of the churches and the world.

Referring to the general situation, Dr. Visser 't Hooft said there was a tendency in some quarters to judge the Assembly before it took place. It was clear that even among church leaders there were many who did not understand the basic facts about the ecumenical movement. Evanston could be thought of as a kind of crystallization point. The preparation that had already gone on in many countries was such that even if the Assembly itself could not be held it had already rendered a real service.

Main Theme: The Commission on the Main Theme was now able to present to the Executive a document to which it could give unanimous agreement. Perhaps never had so diverse a group been able to speak together on a subject like the Christian hope.

It was true that the World Council would have to expect attack from certain quarters. It was apparent that some of its opponents now possessed considerable financial resources and would probably make every attempt to get a hearing. On the other hand certain of the groups which were generally called fundamentalists were showing particular interest in the Assembly, partly because of the Main Theme. It was fortunate that the Assembly could have delegates present from Eastern Europe. Dr. Visser 't Hooft would accompany the Chairman and Mrs. Bell to Hungary on the week after the Executive Committee meeting and they hoped that their visit would show the Churches there how much their participation was desired.

The Joint Committee of the I.M.C. and the W.C.C. had met at Königstein just prior to the Executive Committee and they would have an important report to present.

The conference on race relations called by the Dutch Reformed Churches in South Africa gave reason for hope about the churches there. It was apparent that the statements and interests of the World Council of Churches had had an effect.

Letter from the Church of Norway concerning the Basis

Bishop Berggrav presented a letter from the Church of Norway about the Basis of membership of the World Council of Churches. (The letter is attached as Appendix A). Bishop Berggrav pointed out that this matter was considered important in Norway and he felt that other churches would agree. He knew that the United Evangelical Action in the U.S.A. had written about this also and hoped that this document could be considered by the Assembly. On the other hand he and Bishop Smemo were willing to withdraw it if the Executive Committee so requested. Archbishop Brilioth pointed out that the Bishops in Denmark had also approved of the change suggested in the letter. Dr. Kraemer asked whether the Remonstrant Church in Holland would be likely to view this change with favour. Dr. Visser 't Hooft said he felt it would be unfortunate if the letter were not mentioned at the Assembly but it should be made clear that this Assembly could not make a change in the Basis at Evanston since this request had arrived too late. It should probably be discussed in the First Committee, General Policy, though it was to be hoped that this Committee would not spend all of its time discussing this matter. It was

AGREED: to recommend to the Central Committee that the letter of the Church of Norway on the Basis be referred to the General Policy Committee at the Evanston Assembly.

Report of the Structure and Functioning Committee

Dr. Cooke presented the Report of the Committee on Structure and Functioning. He pointed out that the draft as now presented was essentially the same as that presented at Lucknow except that it had been re-arranged and put into the proper tenses. The sanction of the Committee would be needed for some of the changes:

a) Procedure Dr. Cooke pointed out that the introductory note to the Report made provisions for the handling of the Report at the Assembly as follows -

i) that the report be presented to the Assembly in the name of the Central Committee at the plenary session on the afternoon of Monday, August 16.

ii) that from 3 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, August 17, a hearing be held at which any delegates wishing to raise questions on the report or to propose revisions should be invited to discuss those questions with representatives of the Central Committee.

iii) that the following resolution should be moved in the name of the Central Committee at the plenary session of the Assembly on the morning of Wednesday, August 18:

that the report be received and its recommendations be adopted, subject to budgetary provision.

It will be noted that a resolution in that form will ensure that no financial commitment is involved in the adoption of the recommendations made in the report; financial action will be taken at a later session of the Assembly on the basis of the report of the Finance Committee.

The Executive Committee

AGREED: that the above plan be followed.

b) Praesidium Dr. Cooke called attention to the paragraph at the top of page four in the mimeographed form of the report under the heading "Presidium". The paragraph in question reads as follows -

It should be recorded that the Central Committee was unable to reach an unanimous recommendation on 2 above (2. that a President shall be ineligible for immediate re-election when his term of office ends) and that, while the majority decision was opposed to the possibility of the re-election of presidents, a minority supported a proposal that no limitation be imposed on the Assembly regarding the appointment of the Praesidium.

Bishop Oxnam felt that the inclusion of such a paragraph would be misleading in that it would not make clear that the decision of the Central Committee, while indeed not unanimous, did represent the view of the large majority of those present at Lucknow. Dr. Cooke pointed out that this was the only part of the report that had not been accepted unanimously by the Central Committee and that the Committee on Structure and Functioning which was a sub-committee of the Central Committee had specific instructions to include a reference to this fact in its report. He did not feel that the Executive Committee was at liberty to change this decision. The Bishop of Chichester pointed out that the point was one that certainl would be discussed since there was disagreement and that the intentio of the Central Committee had been that such discussion should be allowed. It was here a question of the manner of reporting. The intention of the Central Committee would be carried out if an oral mention were made to this lack of unanimity when the report was presented to the Assembly. He felt it was clear that the Committee did not like the paragraph and suggested leaving it out.
It was

AGREED: that the paragraph in question should be omitted from the printed report that the delegates would receive and that the point that there had been a difference of opinion as to the possibility of the re-election of Presidents within the Central Committee should be made clear in the oral report to the Assembly.

c) Changes in Wording Dr. Cooke suggested several other changes in the wording and ordering of the Sections which were accepted for incorporation in the Report as it was to be sent to Assembly participants. Bishop Berggrav raised the question as to the relationship between the Department of the Laity and the Department on the Co-operati of Men and Women in Church and Society. Dr. Cooke pointed out that in fact the Structure and Functioning Report was

only making recommendations for the coordination and adequate committee supervision of the Departments and Commissions that already existed, except for the addition of the Department of Information. The committee structure would be strengthened if the recommendation of the Report were adopted and the Secretariat more closely related to the governing bodies. In fact the work of the Laymen's Secretariat and the work of the Commission on the Life and Work of Women in the Church would be continuing. The attempt of the Committee on Structure and Functioning had been to find titles which more accurately described the work. It had not been the task of the Committee on Structure and Functioning to make recommendations for new Committees and Commissions but to organise and co-ordinate the relationships between those already existing. Dr. Mackie pointed out that the wording was not completely satisfactory though a great deal of thought had been put into it. After further discussion it was agreed that the title of the Department on the Co-operation of Men and Women in Church and Society should be accepted as it was the recommendation of the Commission concerned. It was also agreed to give the second Division the title of the Division of Ecumenical Action.

d) Department on Evangelism — At Bishop Berggrav's suggestion it was agreed to re-arrange the listing of the functions of the Department on Evangelism to 4,3,1,2.

e) Changes in Rules — The changes in the Rules were necessitated by the recommendations of the Structure and Functioning Committee and they would not need to be substantially revised. Principal Taylor had studied the revisions and suggested textual changes.

f) Voting of Presidents — Bishop Berggrav asked whether it would not be right to recommend that Presidents, if not delegates, would nevertheless be given the right to vote at the Assembly. It was pointed out that the voting delegates were appointed by their churches and so the World Council itself could not give the right to vote to anyone whom the churches had not elected.

g) New York Office — Dr. Cooke requested and it was agreed that authority be granted for the circulation of a supplementary memorandum on the organisation of the New York Office. This was awaiting the attention of Dr. Cavert.

h) Other suggestions for changes in wording made by the Committee on Structure and Functioning were accepted.

At a later meeting it was agreed that references to the proposed Department of Missionary Studies in the Division of Studies as outlined in the Report of the Joint Committee (see Appendix B) should be incorporated in the Structure and Functioning Report.

It was agreed that the Report on Structure and Functioning should be printed in the Assembly Workbook and distributed to all Assembly participants.

8. Correction in Lucknow Minutes

Bishop Oxnam pointed out an error in the Minutes of the meeting of the Central Committee at Lucknow on page 29, line 36. The word "immediate" needed to be inserted before the word "re-election". The entire sentence should read:

"2. The President shall be ineligible for immediate re-election when his term of office ends."

It was agreed that this should be noted in the Minutes as a correction to be called to the attention of the Central Committee.

9. Applications for Membership

Dr. Visser 't Hooft pointed out in the case of all the applications the Executive Committee could not take action but could only make recommendations to the Central Committee which in turn could if it desired recommend that the Assembly admit the churches in question to membership at an early Plenary Session.

1. Bantu Presbyterian Church of South Africa

This Church had sent an application for membership. It was an outgrowth of the Church of Scotland's missionary work in South Africa. Dr. Goodall said that it was a uni-racial church, largely, in fact, but not in principle. It had a European co-secretary. Dr. Visser 't Hooft read two paragraphs from the letter which the Church had written and it was

AGREED: to recommend to the Central Committee that the Bantu Presbyterian Church of South Africa be favourably considered for membership by the Assembly.

2. /Reformed Church of South Africa in the Cape Province (Ned. Gereformeerde Kerk van de Kaap Provinsie)

Dutch

Dr. Visser 't Hooft said that of the four large Afrikaans churches belonging to the Federal Council of the Dutch Reformed Churches of South Africa only the Church of the Transvaal had become a member of the World Council of Churches. It was encouraging then that the large church of the Cape Province had made application for membership. Though there had been some opposition within the church, it had now come to the decision to apply for membership. Dr. Visser 't Hooft read four statements included in the letter of application which stated the understanding of the Cape Church of the nature of its application. Dr. Fry asked whether this in fact meant that they put stipulation on their acceptance of the Basis and Consitution of the World Council. After further discussion it was

AGREED: that the Executive Committee recommend to the Central Committee that it recommend to the Assembly the acceptance of the application of the Dutch Reformed Church of South Africa in the Cape Province with the clear understanding that this application had been made under the terms of the World Council of Churches' Constitution.

3. Chinese Christian Church in West Java

Dr. Visser 't Hooft said it was questionable whether this Church was really large enough to join the Council. There were many Chinese Christian Churches in Indonesia of which this was

but one. He felt that the Assembly must make a decision about the applications of such small churches. Dr. Manikam said that they might feel that they were nevertheless larger than some of the member Churches of the World Council. Dr. Kraemer said that this church was a very active church but that efforts were going on towards the unification of the Chinese churches in Indonesia and suggested that Dr. Visser 't Hooft might make inquiries with the authorities in Indonesia. It was

AGREED: to defer consideration of the application for membership of the Chinese Christian Church in West Java and to ask the Assembly to take a decision about such small churches.

4. Moluccan Evangelical Church in the Netherlands

Dr. Visser 't Hooft said that this church was made up largely of Amboinese and Moluccan soldiers who had chosen to go to the Netherlands following the hostilities in Indonesia. This was a very well organised church but there was a real question whether it could pass the criterion of stability. The fact was that many of its members might return to Indonesia and Dr. Visser 't Hooft did not feel that this was the time to take them into membership in the World Council. Dr. Fry pointed out that there was precedent for refusing such a church membership in that this church could be considered a church in exile. A Latvian church in exile had already been refused membership on the grounds of instability. It was

AGREED: that the Executive Committee could not favourably endorse the application of the Moluccan Evangelical Church in the Netherlands.

. Visit of Bishop Dibelius

The Chairman welcomed Bishop Dibelius, President of the Evangelical Church in Germany. Bishop Dibelius then addressed the Committee explaining the recent events in the Deutsche Demokratische Republik. He mentioned the events of last spring and the difficulties faced by the Junge Gemeinde. Since June 10th there had been a new policy towards the church. It now appeared, however, that it would be difficult to hold the Kirchentag in Leipzig. Much depended on the outcome of the conference of foreign ministers in Berlin. The churches were also having financial difficulties as they were forbidden to keep parish registers for the purpose of church collections. During July and August it had been possible to build some churches but it was now again more difficult. In areas where new towns were being built up no provisions for churches were made. The great hope of the people in East Germany was for free elections. Communist propaganda had had very little effect upon church members. Of the 6,000 pastors there might be as many as 6 convinced communists and perhaps another 6 "who believe they believe in communism", all the rest could be considered as firmly opposed to communist ideology. There were to be sure many who were prepared to ask whether God was not trying to teach us something through communism.

Dr. Nolde reported that he had been to Berlin himself and had sent a letter to the four foreign ministers informing them of the concern and prayers of the churches. The C.C.I.A. had had no particular substantive position to present but he had felt that it should be present in Berlin to bear witness to the Church's concern and to do as much as possible to help create the atmosphere in which negotiation would be possible.

Dr. Niemöller said that the Bruderrat of the Confessing Church had sent a letter asking for Christian concern and prayers for peace to the British Council of Churches, the French Protestant Church Federation, the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. and the Moscow Patriarchate.

Dr. Boegner asked whether something should not be said by the Executive in reference to the meeting of the Four Foreign Ministers. This point was again taken up at a later session of the committee.

11. Report of the Joint Committee

Dr. Mackay presented the Report of the Joint Committee of the I.M.C. and the W.C.C. The Committee had had six meetings and had come ever closer in its understanding of the mutual relations of the two parent bodies. In commenting on the Report which is attached as Appendix B he called particular attention to the recommendations for a permanent secretary for the Joint Committee and the suggestion for a proposed constitution. He also pointed out that the Joint Committee had accepted the recommendation for the inclusion of a Department of Missionary Studies under the proposed Division of Studies of the World Council with the Research Secretary of the International Missionary Council acting as Departmental Secretary. He paid tribute to the work of Dr. Manikam in East Asia and pointed out the need for greater cooperation in the African situation. In Latin America the situation was more delicate and further consultation would be needed.

The question arose as to how the report should be handled and after considerable discussion it was

AGREED: that the report of the Joint Committee should be submitted to the Central Committee, and that subsequently it should be sidered by the General Policy Committee of the Assembly. It was understood that the necessary changes be made in the Structure and Functioning Report in respect to the recommendations for the inclusion of a Department of Missionary Studies in the Division of Studies.

12. Recent Developments in Poland

Bishop Berggrav said the Norwegian Churches were concerned to know whether the World Council and its member Churches ought to say anything publically about the recent emprisonment of the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Warsaw. The World Council should be concerned when freedom was jeopardised whether or not it was a question of one of its own members. The General Secretary pointed out that there was certainly precedent for the World Council to take interest in the freedom of all churches but in this particular case the problem was complicated first of all by the fact that it was already rather late to say anything effectively and secondly by the fact that a member church in Poland had written to protest against criticisms made with regard to the attitude of the Polish government in this matter. The question was whether we might make it more difficult for members of our member church in Poland by making a public pronouncement. It was generally felt that sufficient information on the facts of the situation was not available and no action was therefore taken.

3. Journey to Hungary

The Bishop of Chichester reported that he and his wife and the General Secretary had received invitations to visit the churches of Hungary and that they would leave the following Friday to visit Vienna, Budapest and Debrecen. It had been made clear in correspondance that this visit was a purely ecclesiastical one with special attention being paid to the preparations for the Evanston Assembly. Dr. Visser 't Hooft would visit Prague and the Bishop of Chichester and Mrs. Bell would return directly to England. The Committee recommended that every attempt should be made on the part of the delegation to visit the members of the Central Committee, Bishop Ordass and Professor Pap.

4. Visit of the Secretary of the International Missionary Council to South Africa

Dr. Goodall had been in South Africa as one of a group studying theological training there. He felt that the report of this committee would be of great importance. He spoke specifically of the racial situation in South Africa. Within the Dutch Reformed Churches there were many who viewed with great seriousness the attempt on the part of some people in government circles to exploit the theological teaching of the Church. He had been at the meeting at Pretoria when representatives of the English and Afrikaan churches had met together to discuss the racial question. He felt that the pronouncements of the World Council bodies and the visits of Dr. Hoekendijk and Dr. Visser 't Hooft had had a profound influence on the situation. The Pretoria conference had been of great importance because of the appearance of a new attitude on the part of some Dutch-Reformed spokesmen. Of special importance was the address given by Professor Keet of Stellenbosch, who said that on theological grounds he had come to the conclusion that the attitude of his church was utterly wrong.

The conference reached no conclusions but it was significant that it had adjourned until the day when Africans should meet with it. It would be an error to assume that the development in Dutch Reformed thinking meant a mere acceptance of liberalism. It was the result of a profound theological study and it was the duty of the English-speaking church leaders to engage in the same kind of deep-level study.

5. Letter to the Foreign Ministers

The Chairman reported that Bishop Berggrav had suggested that the Executive Committee should take action in sending a letter to the four Foreign Ministers meeting in Berlin and read a draft which had been prepared by Dr. Nolde. This draft was discussed in some detail and suggestions made for amendment. After further discussion and at a later time the text of the letter (see Appendix C) was agreed to and the Committee

AGREED: that the letter to the Foreign Ministers be sent over the Chairman's signature.

16. Assembly Preparations

a. Main Theme : The General Secretary reported that the Advisory Commission had at its third meeting last August completed its report to the Assembly except for some changes in style. These having been made in subsequent months, the report had been distributed to members of the Executive in the form in which it would go to the Assembly participants.

The most difficult question to be decided concerned the publication of the report. The decision of the Executive Committee in August had been that the report would not be published prior to the Assembly but rather distributed to Assembly participants clearly marked 'not for publication or quotation'. Comments from many quarters, however, had resulted in the need to look afresh at this decision. The General Secretary presented a compilation of the arguments pro and con concerning publication of the report.

In discussion Dr. Koechlin, Mr. Taft, Bishop Berggrav, Dr. Cooke, and Bishop Oxnam urged that the report be published in advance of the Assembly on the grounds that wide discussion of the report would be beneficial to the Assembly and on the grounds that once the report is circulated to as many persons as are involved in the Assembly, it is in fact open for public discussion in any event.

Dr. Niemöller, Dr. Fry and Dr. Mackie urged that the report should not be published in advance on the grounds that this would hamper the discussion of the report at the Assembly and would make a constructive disposition of the report there more difficult. Moreover, it was felt that widespread prior discussion of the report would tend to kill live interest in it at the time of the Assembly. After this discussion, it was

AGREED: to authorize the distribution of the Advisory Commission report to Assembly participants by airmail on May 15, and to authorize its publication on June 15, 1954.

b. The Subsidiary Themes

Dr. Ehrenström reported on the publication and distribution of the Surveys and other study materials for the Assembly. He referred especially to the question which had been raised in various quarters of the possible advance distribution of the Working Papers, or at least of an outline for discussion. After having weighed the pros and cons of various solutions the Staff Committee on Assembly Preparations in Geneva had come to the opinion that advance distribution either of Working Papers or of outlines, would easily lead to confusion and misunderstanding - the more so, since most of the Working Papers would be put into final shape only at the meetings immediately before the Assembly itself. The Staff Committee recommended instead that an article should be included in the Workbook, describing the process by which the sections would work, and referring to the available literature on the topics, especially the surveys and the study guide "Together to be His Witnesses" - (American title "Evanston Issues").

Dr. Ehrenström presented a recommendation concerning supplementary material for the different sections to be sent to the Assembly participants and it was

AGREED: to authorise the distribution of the following supplementary material to the members of each Section concerned:

Faith and Order

(a) Supplement to the Survey

(b) Distribution to the Section members, some time before the Assembly, of a memorandum indicating the main questions dealt with in the Working Paper, for preliminary study of the issues.

Evangelism

(a) Supplement to the Survey

The Responsible Society

(a) Supplement to the Survey

(b) Statement of the August 1953 Conference on 'The Responsible Society in a World Perspective' (offprint of article in The Ecumenical Review)

International Affairs

(a) Supplement to the Survey

(b) 'Our Ecumenical Heritage in International Affairs' by R.M. Fagley (offprint of article in The Ecumenical Review)

(c) C.C.I.A. statement on the world situation

Intergroup Relations

(a) Supplement to the Survey

Laity

(a) Supplement to the Survey (possibly to be published in the last issue of 'Laymen's Work' before the Assembly)

It was

AGREED: to authorise the publication (in the Assembly Information Bulletin and in possible circulars to the members of each Section) of a brief list of recommended readings, including

'Together to be His Witnesses', a study guide to Evanston by R.D. Hyslop

'Christ - The Hope of Asia' Report of the Ecumenical Study Conference for East Asia, Lucknow, India. December 1952

National Surveys on Evangelism: France, Germany, India, Scotland

'An Evangelising Church', a study document by D.T. Niles (on evangelism in the Younger Churches)

(The two latter for the members of the Section on Evangelism)

It was

AGREED: to authorise the United Bible Societies and the I.M.C. Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews to send copies, on their own behalf, of 'The Cutting Edge' by

A.M. Chirgwin and 'The Christian Approach to the Jews' to the members of the Section on Evangelism and to some other selected Assembly participants.

Considerable discussion ensued concerning the previous decision of the Central and Executive Committees not to release the Working Papers for the Sections and it was upon recommendation of the Staff Committee on Assembly Preparations

AGREED: to approve the above recommendation of The Staff Committee on Assembly Preparations as regards advance distribution of Working Papers.

c. Pre-Assembly Publication of the Surveys

Mr. Bilheimer reported that recent developments in the U.S.A. would make it desirable for the Executive Committee of the World Council to give permission to the Executive Committee of the U.S. Conference to decide whether the background surveys might be published in the U.S. in book form prior to the Assembly and it was

AGREED: that the Executive Committee authorise the Executive Committee of the U.S. Conference to arrange for the pre-Assembly publication of the background surveys if, in its opinion, such publication is desirable.

d. Re-allocation of Seats of Delegates

The General Secretary reported that it now appears as though there will not be a full attendance of 600 delegates and he called the attention of the Committee to the action of the Central Committee at Lucknow whereby the Executive Committee was given power to re-distribute any un-used delegates places among the member Churches.

After discussion it was

AGREED: that the Executive Committee note that a full attendance was not expected but that the Committee did not consider it advisable to re-allocate the remaining vacant places.

e. Report on the Entry of Delegates

The Chairman called upon Bishop Oxnam who in turn asked Dr. Nolde to present the report. Dr. Nolde stated that the attitude of the U.S. Government continued to be helpful and that the sub-committee had been assured of every assistance it could expect within the law. Although the Federal Law is unhappily restrictive the Government will fully comply with the intent and terms of the law to ensure that all delegates will be granted admission to the U.S.A. Nevertheless certain dangers and difficulties remain. A peculiar requirement of the law gives the consular officers in the field power to place applicants for visas in the various categories set out by the law. In addition a certain obstacle inheres in public opinion in the U.S.A. and it may be that criticisms will need to be met. Finally difficulty clearly would arise in any adverse turn in international relations although as of the present moment no difficulty of this sort appears.

In discussion Dr. Visser 't Hooft asked whether the sub-committee would not also need to deal with the U.S.A. immigration authorities and Dr. Nolde replied that this was planned.

Pastor Boegner and Dr. Niemöller reminded the committee of the actions of the Rolle and Lucknow meetings of the Central Committee. Dr. Manikam recounted certain difficulties encountered in India.

Bishop Oxnam, stressing that Dr. Nolde had been correct in mentioning difficulties, nevertheless urged that unwarranted conclusions not be drawn and stated that the sub-committee had substantial grounds for confidence and therefore unanimously recommended that plans to hold the Assembly in the U.S.A. be followed through.

The Bishop of Chichester expressed gratitude at the report of the sub-committee stating that clearly no new situation had developed and that on the whole the report appeared to be somewhat better than previous word had been.

The Chairman of the meeting, Dr. Fry, stated that the sub-committee was still in being and would remain so until the Assembly convened.

Dr. Niemöller urged that the committee repeat its action of last August and it was accordingly

AGREED: to adopt the action of the Executive Committee of August 1953 as follows: 'that the sub-committee appointed at Lucknow be authorised to continue its work, keeping in touch with the various churches concerned and take appropriate action and that the Committee agree in the the light of this to proceed with the plans of the Assembly, always keeping in mind the stipulations of the Rolle decision.' (See page 17 of Minutes of Central Committee 1951)

Membership of the Assembly

(a) The General Secretary reported on the appointment of delegates to date and distributed a document listing the names of those who planned to attend.

(b) Allocation of seats. The Executive Committee at its meeting in August 1953, having postponed consideration of the matter of allocation of seats to new churches applying for membership until the present meeting, it was

AGREED: that allocation of seats to the Bantu Presbyterian Church and the Dutch Reformed Church of the Cape, both of the Union of South Africa, be referred to the General Secretary and the Chairman of the Executive Committee with power to act.

(c) Consultants. The General Secretary reported on consultants who had accepted to date and those who had been invited but had not accepted. In addition other names were listed and it was

AGREED: to authorise the General Secretary and the Chairman of the Central Committee to appoint the following as consultants:

Dr. C.E. Abraham	India
Miss Alice Arnold	YWCA, Geneva
Mr. Roy Blough	USA
Dr. John Colombos	United Kingdom
The Rev. F. House	United Kingdom

Bishop A.W. Howell	Africa
Dr. F.E. Johnson	U.S.A.
Bishop Everett Jones	U.S.A.
Mrs. John Karefa-Smart	Gold Coast
Miss Helen Kim	Korea
Dr. S.C. Leung	Korea
Dr. D.G. Moses	India
Prof.Richard Niebuhr	U.S.A.
Pres. Nathan Pusey	U.S.A.
Dr. Margaret Read	United Kingdom
The Rev. Charles Seaver	U.S.A.
Pastor Hans Stroh	Germany
Ephorus H. Thimme	Germany

(d) Youth Consultants. Miss Fraser reported that it was expected that 100 youth consultants would be appointed and that of these some originally appointed as stewards would be made youth consultants and further that there were a numer of youth consultants from non-member Churches.

In reply to a question from Dr. Fry, Miss Fraser reported that those from non-member Churches were from churches which were in harmony with the requirements of membership in the World Council . After this discussion it was

AGREED: to authorise the General Secretary and the Chairman of the Central Committee to appoint the youth consultants in consultation with the Youth Department Committee.

(e) Fraternal delegates. The General Secretary presented a list of the fraternal delegates who had been appointed.

(f) Observers. The General Secretary reported that a large correspondence concerning observers, especially from non-member Churches, had developed and after discussion it was

AGREED: that the General Secretary and Dr. Fry be authorised to name observers and also to name others in this general category as accredited visitors.

g. Roman Catholic Observers

The General Secretary reported conversations which had taken place in Europe on the subject of Roman Catholic Observers at the Assembly and indicated that owing to the present attitude of the Roman Catholic authorities concerned it did not appear feasible to issue invitations to Roman Catholic Observers.

After discussion it was

AGREED: that any statement on this point state that the matter continued to be under discussion.

In response to a question from Mr. Parlin concerning representatives from Roman Catholic papers and after discussion it was

AGREED: that the accreditation of representatives of Roman Catholic papers be handled strictly as a matter of press accreditation on the basis of the number of seats available and the importance of the papers or periodicals requesting accreditation.

Assembly Programme

Dr. Payne presented a report from the sub-committee appointed by the Executive to deal with Assembly matters concerning the Assembly programme and after discussion it was

AGREED: to adopt the Assembly programme as presented (Appendix D) noting that the presentation of the CCIA might need to be shifted, pending a decision on the date of the visit of President Eisenhower.

It was noted that the adoption of the programme required the visit of President Eisenhower on a date other than Sunday, August 15th. It was also

AGREED: that the programme and list of speakers be released to the public on Friday, February 5th, indicating that speakers who had not accepted had nevertheless been invited.

It was also

AGREED: to invite the Secretary General of the United Nations, Dr. Hammerskjöld, to speak at the Assembly and to authorise the General Secretary and Dr. Nolde to determine the time and nature of his address.

Presiding Officers

Bishop Oxnam read the minute of the Lucknow Central Committee concerning presiding officers and on the basis of consultations among the Presidents reported that presiding officers would include the Presidents of the World Council together with the Chairman of the Central Committee, the Bishop of Chichester, the Vice-Chairman , Dr. Fry; the Chairman of the Faith and Order Commission, Archbishop Brilioth; the Chairman of the Study Department Committee, Dr. Van Dusen; the Chairman of the I.M.C., Dr. Mackay; and Bishop C.K. Jacob of the Church of South India in the place of Miss Sarah Chakko.

He reported further that, during the visit of President Eisenhower, the Archbishop of Canterbury would preside and that the American President of the World Council of Churches would introduce President Eisenhower. (Note: The Presiding Officers for each session are listed in the Assembly programme attached - Appendix D).

Report of the Central Committee to the Assembly

Dr. Mackie presented a draft report of the document on "The First Six Years" which constituted the written report of the Central Committee to the Assembly and asked for comments either at the meeting or in writing subsequently from members of the committee upon the document.

The Bishop of Chichester commented that the section on the Secretariat was too reticent and suggested a revision. After discussion it was

AGREED: that the following paragraph should appear at the top of page 5 of the draft:

"The Central Committee wishes to express its gratitude to the whole secretarial staff for the service which they have rendered. It has been admirably served by its Associate General Secretaries, both those on its staff at the present time, namely, the Rev. Dr. R.C. Mackie and the Rev. Dr. O.F. Nolde, and those who have left to take up other work,

namely, Dr. H.S. Leiper, Canon Oliver S. Tomkins and Bishop Stephen Neill. All of them have contributed greatly to the making of the World Council what it is today. The same is true of the heads of the various Departments.

But the Central Committee feels compelled to record its special debt to the General Secretary, Dr. W. A. Visser 't Hooft, for the quite outstanding leadership which he has given to the World Council in all its activities and therefore through it to all the member Churches."

With this change the draft report was received.

k. Proposals for handling Assembly Business

Dr. Payne, on behalf of the sub-committee, presented a document 'Conduct of Business at the Assembly' (Appendix E) which, except for one point, recapitulated actions already taken by the Executive or Central Committee. The single point concerned the agenda of the Assembly Committee on General Policy and after discussio it was

AGREED: that the items listed should form the basis of the agenda of the Committee on General Policy, these items being

(a) The Basis
(b) Membership policy
(c) Policy with regard to public pronouncements
(d) Relations with IMC
(e) Points of Structure and Functioning referred to this Committee
(f) Amendments to Constitution
(g) Any other points arising out of the Report of the Central Committee or the Message of the General Secretar

Dr. Payne also present a memorandum on the Business Committee of the Assembly calling attention to the requirement of the Lucknow action that the chairmen of the six sections be members of the Business Committee. After discussion, and upon the recommendation of the sub-committee on Assembly Matters, it was

AGREED: that the Business Committee consist of the following persons:
the Executive Committee, including the Presidents
the Chairman of the Message Drafting Committee
the Chairman of the Study Department Committee
the Chairman of the Committees' Co-ordinating Group
the Chairman of the Worship Committee
the Chairman of the Press Committee
the Chairman of the Nominations Committee
the Chairman of the first committee on General Policy
the Chairman of the I.M.C.

Dr. Payne called the attention of the Committee to the fact tha no chairman of the Business Committee of the Assembly was provided for by the Rules and it was

AGREED: to recommend to the Assembly that the co-chairmen of the Business Committee be the Bishop of Chichester and Dr. Fry.

Other Assembly Leadership

Dr. Payne presented the recommendations of the Assembly sub-committee for other Assembly leadership. After discussion it was

AGREED: to recommend to the Assembly, officers for different functions as presented and to authorise the officers of the Executive Committee and the Staff Committee on Assembly Preparations to recommend persons for offices not filled by the present action. It was further

AGREED: to authorise the General Secretary and the Chairman of the Central Committee to include representatives from Hungary and/or Czechoslovakia among the leadership of the Assembly.

It was noted that the Assembly sub-committee had given additional names to the General Secretary and the Chairman of the Central Committee for consideration as Assembly officers.

Procedures for Assembly Committees and Sections

Dr. Payne presented a document "Suggestions for the Officers of the Working Committees", which had been scrutinised by the Assembly sub-committee and it was

AGREED: that this paper be sent to the officers of the Working Committees

Dr. Payne presented a document "Conduct and Procedure of the Assembly Sections" which had been scrutinised by the Assembly sub-committee and it was

AGREED: to delete paragraph six of the document, and adopt instead the following rule for debate in sections and in committees which would be printed in the Handbook:

"Delegates are entitled to present resolutions in the section meetings and in the working committees. These shall be in writing and given beforehand to the Chairman of the meeting. They shall be referred forthwith to the steering committee of the section of working committee which may:

1) if the resolution is held to be relevant to the business of the section or working committee, place it on the agenda for discussion; if then accepted, it shall be referred to the drafting committee of the section or working committee.

2) if the resolution, or any part thereof, is held to be irrelevant to the business of the section or working committee, refer it or part thereof to the co-ordinating group of the sections or working committees, which shall be entitled, if it think fit, to refer the matter to the business committee of the Assembly."

and to receive the remainder of the document for transmission to the officers of the Assembly sections.

Size and Composition of Sections

The General Secretary reported the need of a certain flexibility concerning the size of the respective sections in order to meet the expressed choices of delegates concerning sections in which they serve and in order to secure the best range of competence possible for each section. After discussion it was

AGREED: that in general no section should consist of more than 90 or less than 70 delegates, and that in the composition of the sections every effort should be made to ensure participation in them of persons of specialised competence.

o. Report of the Worship Committee

Dr. Payne reported that the Worship Committee had been carrying out the general decisions of the Executive Committee made in August '53

With regard to special Assembly services it was planned to hold the opening service on Sunday morning, August 15th. The draft of the Order of Worship is being prepared by Bishop Dun, and it is planned that the Presidents conduct the service. Plans for the Closing Service of Worship are to be deferred until the Assembly meets and will be developed by the Worship Committee for report to the Business Committee of the Assembly. It is planned that for the service of Preparation for Holy Communion on Saturday evening, August 21st, the Order of Worship used at the similar service at the Lund Conference be used.

With regard to the daily worship, a list of the services and those who had agreed to lead them was presented.

The brochure for daily Bible Study at the Assembly was in first draft and should be completed by March 1st. Upon recommendation of Dr. Payne it was

AGREED: to authorise the circulation of the Bible Study booklet generally among the churches.

For evening worship it was planned to draft an order of worship to appear in the Handbook which might be used by leaders of the evening worship to be held in the First Methodist Church.

With regard to Holy Communion it was planned to print a statement in the Handbook which would include the Lund statement on Communion at ecumenical meetings. On Sunday, August 22nd, the Assembly was invited to Communion by the Methodist Church and the invitation would be open to all who were free to accept. On August 23,24 and 25 it was planned to have in place of the usual daily worship, services of Holy Communion according to the Anglican, Lutheran and Orthodox rites respectively.

The Church of South India was making arrangements for the holding of a Communion Service according to its Order, probably on Sunday, August 29th.

p. Nominations

The General Secretary read the action of the Central Committee at Lucknow concerning the preparation of nominations which is as follows: (p. 26)

'AGREED that the Central Committee authorise the Executive Committee at its meeting in February 1954 to appoint a sub-committee on the Preparation of Nominations, to work between then and the Assembly; that this sub-committee consist of not less than three members; that the names of the members of this sub-committee be submitted to the Assembly as a possible nucleus for its own Nominations Committee; but with the recommendation that these members constitute not more than a minority of the latter Committee.

AGREED that this sub-committee draw up the principles suggested by the Woudschoten meeting of the Central Committee (Woudschoten Minutes, page 13) for submission to the Executive Committee.

AGREED that this sub-committee draw up such tentative lists of commissions and committees as are within its competence according to the Rules, and as will coincide with the requirements of the World Council structure envisaged in the report of Structure and Functioning of the WCC as this is adopted by the Central Committee.

AGREED that these tentative lists be submitted to the Nominations Committee of the Assembly for such use as it may care to make of them.'

After discussion concerning the implications of the Central Committee action, it was

AGREED: that the following be appointed as the nucleus of those to be proposed to the Assembly as its Nominations Committee and as a preparatory committee on nominations:

Bishop Smemo
President Earl Moreland
The Rev. R.D. Say

AGREED: that the General Secretary be requested to sit with this committee as adviser.

AGREED: that the officers of the Executive Committee be empowered to appoint substitutes if necessary.

After discussion concerning the Chairman of the Nominations Committee at the Assembly it was

AGREED: to postpone a decision on this matter until the meeting of the Central Committee prior to the Assembly.

Pre-Assembly Meetings

Dr. Ehrenström reported that meetings of the Assembly preparatory commissions were scheduled for the days immediately prior to the Assembly at the University of Chicago but that in as much as only a very few members of the preparatory commissions could be present, it would be desirable to co-opt a small number of persons for each commission. After discussion it was

AGREED: that the Study Department be authorised to invite up to a total of 12 persons for each commission for the pre-assembly meetings of the preparatory commissions. (A Schedule of the preparatory commission meetings and other pre-Assembly meetings is attached as Appendix F).

Report on Public Relations

Mr. Parlin presented the report of the Press and Broadcasting Committee, describing briefly the scope and difficulty of the task. The immediate task of the Committee was to accredit press for the Assembly, and it had been provisionally decided to accredit press in the following categories:

200 USA and Canadian secular press
100 USA and Canadian church press
60 Foreign press
10 Roman Catholic press
30 as yet unassigned

400

Another part of the present work of the Committee was to offset attacks which were appearing at five points: the entry into the USA of delegates from behind the Iron Curtain; the presence at the Assembly of persons of socialist economic and social convictions; the eschatological implications of the main theme, particularly because of the fact that in the USA these had been most vigorously put forward in the past by extreme sectarian groups; some USA church leadership which had spoken out against some tendencies in the USA political scene; and the likely statements of the Assembly concerning racial equality.

The Committee was also preparing the most thorough technical arrangements for the press, radio and television representatives at the Assembly. In this connection, an additional report was needed, together with further action by the Executive.

The Rev. James W. Kennedy, at the suggestion of Mr. Parlin, reported on arrangements for radio and television coverage, explaining that very extensive radio reporting would be done in the USA and abroad, and that wide TV coverage would be given in the USA and Britain In regard to TV, it was not planned to produce "live" programmes (i.e. in which the programme is received simultaneously with delivery by the speaker), but rather TV programmes made from films taken during the Assembly, immediately developed with appropriate sound accompaniment, and then broadcast as a TV programme at a convenient later time. This would obviate the necessity of TV cameras, cables, etc. during the meetings. The film could be taken unobtrusively, and lighting could be arranged so that it would not hamper the work of the Assembly.

Mr. Kennedy in addition expressed the hope that all Assembly participants would use his radio and TV committee as a clearing house for invitations to appear on the radio and TV.

Mr. Kennedy reported that no arrangements had been made with Radio Free Europe, and that advisers were working with the Voice of America in their coverage of the Assembly.

After discussion concerning rules for the taking of photographs, it was

AGREED: that official photographs for newsreels and television use might be made of all Assembly services and plenary meetings, on the understanding that these photographs were taken under the supervision and management of the Press and Broadcasting Committee, and with the following conditions:

a) that all photography be subject to the power of the Business Committee of the Assembly to close a meeting or service to photography;

b) that photography in the First Methodist Church be subject to the agreement of the authorities of that church;

c) that photography in the Communion Services be subject to the authorities arranging the service and to the person conducting it;

d) that all technical arrangements including lighting be unobtrusive and cause no difficulty in the conduct of services or meetings.

AGREED: that photography except official photography for newsreels and TV be prohibited in the First Methodist Church; and that such photography be permitted in McGaw Hall and Cahn Auditorium during the introduction of a speaker and for the first two minutes of his speech.

AGREED: that the above rule be printed in the Assembly Handbook.

AGREED: that the Executive Committee authorise Mr. Kennedy to ask all Assembly participants to use the Radio and TV Sub-Committee of the Press and Broadcasting Committee as a clearing house for all engagements to appear on radio and TV.

Report on Local Arrangements

Mr. Bilheimer reported briefly on local arrangements, stating that the cost per day per delegate would be $4.00, and for bed and breakfast for accredited visitors $2.35 per day. He also reported on the very great assistance which officers and staff of Northwestern University had given in connection with all local arrangements. Plans for Soldier Field and for the Symphony Concert were developing well.

Dr. Payne raised the question as to an appropriate expression of thanks to Northwestern University, and it was

AGREED: to ask the US Conference for the World Council of Churches to develop on behalf of the W.C.C. an appropriate means of expressing the gratitude of the W.C.C. to Northwestern University.

Report on Confessional Meetings

Mr. Bilheimer reported that the following confessional meetings were being arranged by the confessional groups concerned:

Congregational	Presbyterian
Disciples	Lutheran
Anglican	Baptist

Handbook

Mr. Bilheimer presented a proposed outline for the Handbook (Appendix G) upon which comments were made. It was understood that the further development of the Handbook would be in the hands of the staff.

Photo Display

Dr. Mackie reported that Mr. Taylor had been on the staff for some months and was developing a modest photo-display which would present characteristic work of the member Churches and work of the W.C.C. Valuable help had been received from the Northwestern University Art Department.

Accredited Visitors Programme

Dr. Payne presented a suggested programme on behalf of the sub-committee on the Assembly and after discussion it was

AGREED: to approve the outlined programme and to remit it to the staff for further development. (Note: comments of the Executive Committee were recorded for inclusion in the Programme).

x. Re-Allocation of Accredited Visitors' Places

Dr. Payne reported a proposal from the Assembly sub-committee concerning the allocation of accredited visitors places now not taken by the Churches, and after discussion, it was

AGREED: that the Executive Committee re-allocate 234 accredited visitors places as follows:

to the USA	90
to Canada	17
to Mexico	17
	124

and that the remaining 110 places be left for countries other than the USA, Canada, and Mexico, except that:

1. a church would not ordinarily be given more than 150% of the original number of places allotted to it;

2. in certain instances accredited visitors may be invited from churches not members of the World Council on the authority of the Executive Committee.

y. Visitors Tickets

Mr. Bilheimer reported that 1600 tickets were available for sale among the American churches for each of the twenty five plenary meetings, and that an additional 3000 were available for general sale for the evening public meetings. Prospective income for the Assembly budget from this sale amounts to $30,000.

z. Places for Wives and Husbands of Assembly Participants

Mr. Bilheimer reported that a considerable number of Assembly participants plan to be accompanied by their wives or husbands, and that it would be advisable to use the space which now appeared would not be used by delegates and accredited visitors for them. After general discussion, it was

AGREED: that up to 200 seats on the floor of McGaw Hall be set aside for wives and husbands of Assembly participants at $.50 per seat per session, or $12.50 for the total of 25 plenary sessions; that

seats for persons holding these tickets to McGaw Hall be also provided during the Accredited Visitors Programme in Cahn Auditorium, on the understanding that the area for Accredited Visitors, Press, wives and husbands, and general public would be clearly differentiated from one another in Cahn Auditorium.

aa. Facilities for Translation

Mr. Bilheimer reported that the International Business Machines Corporation had agreed to provide radio translating equipment, as they had also done at Amsterdam, and had agreed to manufacture new equipment so that 1500 sets would be available at Evanston. This would mean that all delegates and consultants and press would have a set in McGaw Hall, and that in addition at least four and if desirable six of the sections and committees also could be provided with this equipment. Plans were well under way to provide an adequate staff of translators and interpreters.

bb. Facilities for speaking engagements

Mr. Bilheimer reported that limited facilities in the New York office were already being taxed to the full, under the supervision of Miss Eleanor Kent Browne, in providing speaking engagements for a few of those coming to the Assembly, and that various churches in the USA were also making arrangements.

cc. Travel Subsidies

Mr. Northam reported that the $35,000 in the Assembly budget for travel subsidies had been generously supplemented by additional gifts from churches and foreign missionary boards and agencies, and that the result was much better than it was for the Amsterdam Assembly.

7. Finance

Bishop Oxnam presented orally the report of the Finance Sub-Committee. He asked leave that the full report be included in the Minutes but on certain items paraphrased in summarized form the report which is set out below. He pointed out that when considering the fact that a small surplus had been realised on the General Budget in each of the first five years, it must be borne in mind that this could only be achieved by limiting expenditure to foreseeable revenue and over-working the staff and that expenditure had not risen to the level of the budget approved by the Amsterdam Assembly for 1949, namely $363,000. The report of the Finance Sub-Committee was as follows:

A. Actual Revenue and Expenditure in 1953

The first provisional estimates for 1953 suggested that there would be a surplus on the year's operations of about $11,500. On the revenue side, contributions from member churches were expected to total about $311,000 - an increase from the total of about $306,300 in 1952 - and about $36,600 would be drawn from the Rockefeller Fund for the Ecumenical Institute, so that total revenue was expected to be about $347,600. The first estimate of expenditure was a little over $336,000, but the final figure would probably be somewhat higher. A surplus of $6,000 to $8,000 seemed however probably. The Finance Sub-Committee approved of the purchase of a car for Geneva Headquarters and the charging of the cost to the 1953 accounts and had further agreed to recommend:

that it should be recommended to the Central Committee that the ultimate surplus on 1953 accounts for the General Budget should be allocated as follows:

(a) an allocation sufficient to cover the deficit in 1953 on the Ecumenical Press Service, at present estimated at about $1,000.

(b) an allocation to cover the additional grant of $2,500 in 1953 to C.C.I.A.

(c) any remaining surplus to be added to the special reserve, created by decision of the Central Committee meeting at Lucknow by contributions from member Churches in the U.S.A. in excess of $240,000 per annum, and held for allocation at a later date.

B. Budget for 1954

The Finance Sub-Committee noted that the 1953 budget had amounted to $355,000 and that the revenue budget had comprised $315,000 from member churches and private gifts for the general budget and $40,000 withdrawal from the Rockefeller Fund for the Ecumenical Institute. Since the withdrawal from the Rockefeller Fund would be reduced to $35,000 in 1954, it would be necessary to secure $320,000 from church contributions and private gifts for the general budget if the annual level was to be maintained. It was expected that the final figure for total revenue from church contributions and private gifts in 1953 would amount to only about $311,000 and it was thought improbable that an increase of $9,000 could be secured in 1954. On the other hand the Finance Sub-Committee had felt that there were arguments against adopting a budget at a lower level for 1954 than for 1953 and had further noted that the plans for the post-Evanston annual budget were based on an increase of 25% in member-church contributions from $320,000 to $400,000. The Finance Sub-Committee examined a suggested 1954 budget based on the 1953 budget and amendments for known changes, such as provision for the salary of Dr. Cavert, and agreed to recommend:

that approval should be given to the suggested 1954 budget on the understanding that in practice expenditure will be limited to a level $5,000 below the budget total of $355,000. (See Appendix H).

C. Department of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees - Service Programme 1953

The Finance Sub-Committee was informed that in 1953 it had been found possible for the first time to raise revenue for the service programme slightly in excess of the budget total of $658,000. Of this total revenue, $400,000 were allocated to the Service to Refugees and whilst there had throughout the year been anxiety as to whether it would be possible to close the accounts for the Refugee Service without deficit, it was now possible to report that thanks to special supplementary grants of $45,000 from the Central Department of Church World Service, it could confidently be anticipated that the final accounts would show no deficit. For the other sections of the service programme - health and scholarships fraternal workers and work camps, laymen's secretariat and administration of inter-church aid work - expenditure had been limited to a level lower than the full budget level, as an insurance against the possibility that there might be a short-fall of revenue and, since in practice the full revenue budget had been raised, there might be surpluses totalling perhaps as much as $25,000 which would be added to reserves. The Finance Sub-Committee had noted that these figures were provisional but had felt that they were most encouraging and had expressed to Dr. Mackie and the staff of the department the Committee's congratulations and gratitude for the excellent work done under the service programme and the favourable result of the year's operations.

D. Department of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees - Service Programme budget 1954

At its meeting in August 1953, the Executive Committee accepted the recommendation of the Finance Sub-Committee that the Director of the Department of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees be authorised to raise funds for the Service Programme for 1954 on the basis of a budget totalling $750,000. It was recalled that the increase was justified by the extension of the Department's activities into areas outside Europe.

The Sub-Committee was informed that it was not yet possible to secure assurance of revenue to cover this total budget but that steps would be taken to limit the expenditure so that it would not exceed prospective revenue. It was further recalled that the operations under the service programme are regularly reviewed by the Administrative Committee of the Department.

E. Budget for the Second Assembly

The budget for the Second Assembly was adopted at the Executive Committee meeting in February 1952 and totalled $267,500. The Finance Sub-Committee was informed that whereas in February 1952 the revenue forecast amounted only to $172,000 so that there was need for additional revenue of $95,500, it could now be reported that revenue was only about $5,000 below the budget and it was expected that this amount could without difficulty be raised from further individual contributions. A number of relatively small revisions of the expenditure budget had been proposed on the basis of later experience but these did not change the total. The Finance Sub-Committee agreed to recommend :

that approval be given for the suggested revised budget for the Second World Assembly totalling $267,500. (See Appendix I).

Following the presentation of this item to the Executive Committee, attention was drawn to the possible need for revision of the Assembly Budget during the months prior to the Assembly and the Executive Committee

AGREED: that the Chairman of the Finance Committee and the Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee be authorised to approve revisions of the Assembly Budget if they became necessary and provided that the total expenditure budget be not increased.

F. Suggested Annual Post-Evanston General Budget

The Finance Sub-Committee considered a draft chapter for the Workbook for the Evanston Assembly submitting a draft annual budget for the post-Evanston period. This budget totalled $418,000 and on the revenue side called for a contribution of $18,000 from the service programme budget of the Department of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees to cover the expense of a secretary in the Information Department and the salary of the Associate General Secretary for that Division and $400,000 for church contributions and individual gifts to the general budget. It was noted that this latter figure represented an increase of 25% on the revenue budget for church contributions and individual gifts in 1954, in accordance with the discussions of the Executive Committee in August 1953. It was further noted that the budget was constructed on the assumption that after Evanston no further withdrawals would be made from the general reserve for the Ecumenical Institute (Rockefeller Fund) toward the annual expenses of Bossey - an assumption which involved a need for an increase of $35,000 in revenue since that amount is to be drawn from the reserve in 1954. On the expenditure side provision was made for an increase from $32,030 to $50,000 in the grant to C.C.I.A.; in point of fact however this would represent an increase in revenue to C.C.I.A. not of $18,000 but of $15,500 because, in addition to the grant as per budget, C.C.I.A. had received for the past two years an additional grant of $2,500 which was covered in each year from the surplus on the general budget. The expenditure budget further provided for the departmental structure and staff at present envisaged under the report of the Committee on Structure and Functioning; this implied the addition to the present staff of two Associate General Secretaries, a Director and a new Secretary in the

Department of Information and a Secretary for work for the Laity (the present Laymen's Secretariat being carried by the service programme budget). The expenditure budget also maintained the annual allocations of $20,000 each to the general reserve and the reserve for the next Assembly.

The Finance Sub-Committee noted that one major problem concerning the preparation of the post-Evanston budget was that the plans for the future of the New York office had not yet been finalized and that the suggested budget under consideration therefore included the same provision as the 1954 budget.

The Finance Sub-Committee agreed to recommend:

that the suggested post-Evanston budget be approved for submission to the Central Committee and that authority be granted for it to be included in the Workbook for the Evanston Assembly but that discretio should be given to the General Secretariat to make minor modification if necessary before the printing of the Workbook and to make an increase of up to a further $5,000 in the annual grant to C.C.I.A. if this should be found possible.

The Executive Committee discussed the above recommendation and agree to adopt it on the understanding that if at all possible in terms of time the General Secretariat would submit any changes in the suggested post-Evanston budget for approval to the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

In reply to a question from Dr. Cooke during the discussion on this item, it was stated that the phrasing of the relevant passage in the Workbook would state that the suggested post-Evanston budget called for an overall increase of 25% in revenue from member churches and from priva gifts. In reply to Dr. Payne, Bishop Oxnam stated that it was recognised that some member churches although willing to increase their contribution might not be able to make the increase already in 1955 by reason of the timing of annual synods or conferences.

G. U.S. Conference for the World Council of Churches - 1954 budget

The Finance Sub-Committee was informed that the Executive Committee of the U.S. Conference had resolved to request authority to raise the level of expenditure from $60,000 to $70,000 "in view of the necessary additions and extra expenditures resulting from the holding of the next Assembly in America", and also to cover the increased expenditure resulting from the engagement of Dr. Cavert. The Finance Sub-Committee agreed to recommend:

that authority be granted for an increase to $70,000 in the budget limit for the 1954 budget of the U.S. Conference for the World Council of Churches.

In presenting the above item, Bishop Oxnam drew attention to the need for constant scrutiny of the budget of the United States Conference for the World Council of Churches by the Executive Committee to make sure that that budget should not become unduly inflated.

H. Budget for public relations in the USA for the Assembly

The Finance Sub-Committee was informed that there might be need for a sum greater than $40,000 for public relations in the USA for the Assembly. It was recalled that the Central Committee meeting at Lucknow had empowered the U.S. Conference for the World Council of Churches to create a supplemental budget of not more than $40,000 for this work "on the understanding that expenditure under this budget will be controlled and

reviewed periodically by the Executive Committee of the U.S. Conference". Mr. Parlin had explained the reasons for anticipating expenditure exceeding $40,000 and had reported that the revised budget might well be $50,000 and possibly $60,000. The Finance Sub-Committee agreed to recommend:

that authority be granted to the Executive Committee of the U.S. Conference for the World Council of Churches to approve a budget greater than $40,000 for public relations in the U.S.A. for the Assembly, subject to availability of funds for that budget.

I. Draft Chapter for "The First Six Years"

The Finance Sub-Committee considered the draft chapter on Finance and Administration for "The First Six Years" and made a number of suggestions for improvement of the text while approving in general the content of the draft.

J. Repayment of Mortgage on Petit Bossey

During the discussion on the foregoing item it was observed by the Finance Sub-Committee that the property of Petit Bossey, which had been bought out of the first gift of Mr. John D. Rockefeller Jr. before his second gift for the purchase of the Château, was subject to a mortgage of about $30,000 whereas there would at the end of 1954 be a reserve for the Institute of about $75,000. The Finance Sub-Committee felt that it would be desirable to repay the mortgage at the earliest possible moment and agreed to recommend:

that the mortgage on Petit Bossey should be repaid as soon as possible and the expense charged to the general reserve for the Ecumenical Institute.

K. Investment portfolio December 31, 1953

The Finance Sub-Committee noted that the funds invested in General Motors Acceptance Corporation notes for the Assembly reserve had been repaid and the money not reinvested since expenditures for the Assembly were now being incurred in increasing measure but that there had been no other changes in the investment portfolio since the last meeting. The Finance Sub-Committee further noted that the decision on the previous item to repay the mortgage on Petit Bossey would mean that the total investments at present held, would be roughly equal to the balance on the general reserve and the general reserve for the Institute so that there was no occasion to invest further funds at the present time.

The Finance Sub-Committee was advised that the members of a small official committee in Geneva on the investment of trustee funds would be willing to act as Investment Committee for the W.C.C. and that this committee comprised three protestant bankers. The Finance Sub-Committee therefore agreed to recommend:

that the following be named members of the Geneva Investment Committee: MM. Georges Lombard, Pierre Pidoud and Jean-Jaques Gautier.

L. Property - Route de Malagnou

The Finance Sub-Committee was informed of the position regarding 15, route de Malagnou and was advised that it still had not been possible to secure the evacuation of the property or firm assurance as to when it would be evacuated. It was however hoped that the property would be evacuated this summer and might be ready for use as offices in the autumn.

M. Reconstruction and Transformation of the Château de Bossey

The Finance Sub-Committee received the final report of the Building Committee on the above matter. Dr. Koechlin reported that there had been no change in the position as originally reported in August 1953 and that after completion of the work and the payment of all bills, there remained available from the gift of Mr. John D. Rockefeller Jr. about Swiss Fr. 15,000 for addition to the maintenance reserve. It was disappointing that this figure was so much lower than the amount of Fr. 100,000 which it had originally been hoped might be set aside for the maintenance reserve. On the other hand, annual allocations were being made from the normal budget to the maintenance reserve and, as a result, the reserve including the Fr.15,000 balance after completion of the transformation would at the end of 1953 amount to about Fr.40,000.

The Finance Sub-Committee had received the report and recognised that a real debt of gratitude was owed to the members of the Building Committee for the care with which this work had been done and for the excellent results which were observed and experienced by the members of the Executive Committee at the last meeting and agreed to recommend:

> that the final report of the Building Committee consisting of Pastor Boegner, Dr. Cooke and Dr. Koechlin, be received with an expression of warm thanks for the task it had accomplished and that the Building Committee be discharged.

N. Appointment of Auditors for 1953

The Finance Sub-Committee noted that it was proposed that the auditors of the 1952 accounts should be reappointed and agreed to recommend:

> that the following auditors for 1953 accounts be appointed:
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> Geneva - Société Fiduciaire Romande Ofor S.A.
> London - Wilkins, Hassel and Co.
> New York - Requa, Burkhardt and Scheel

O. Personnel Questions

The Finance Sub-Committee was reminded that salaries were last reviewed at the Central Committee Meeting at Rolle in August 1951, at which a general increase of 5% was made in office staff salaries and it was agreed that the salary scales should be subject to further review if the cost of living index rose by 7 points or more to 173.4 or higher. In fact the cost of living index rose before the end of 1951 above 170 but had remained between 170 and 171.6 during the past two years. On the other hand, a review of World Council salaries had revealed that they were lagging behind general salary levels in Geneva. M. Lombard and Dr. Koechlin confirmed that the salary levels appeared low by Swiss standards and the Finance Sub-Committee agreed to recommend :

> that an increase of Fr. 25.-- or Fr. 20.-- a month according to grade should be given to all members of the office staff with effect from January 1, 1954, on the understanding that those increases would be taken into account if the cost of living index should in future rise to or above 173.4 and a further review of salaries become necessary under the decision taken by the Central Committee at Rolle.

The Finance Sub-Committee further felt that it would be wise to review again the salary scales for the Secretarial staff before the Evanston Assembly, particularly from the point of view of the relation-

ship of World Council salaries to the salaries which staff members might earn in their own countries. In addition it was felt that attention should be given to the institution of some retirement pension scheme for World Council staff. It was further suggested that the ad hoc committee should review World Council policy in relation to honoraria earned by staff for speaking or writing. The Finance Sub-Committee therefore agreed to recommend:

> that an ad hoc committee be appointed to study salary scales for Secretarial staff and the possibility of retirement pension arrangements and that the committee consist of: Dr. A. Koechlin, Mr. G. Lombard, Dr. C. Lund-Quist, Dr. P. Limbert and the Rev. R.D. Say. This Committee should report to the Executive Committee meeting at Chicago.

The Finance Sub-Committee further granted approval for certain salaray increases and special allowances under the rules adopted by the Central Committee at Rolle; these are recorded separately but it was suggested that they should not be recorded nominatively in the minutes of the Executive Committee.

Bishop Oxnam moved the adoption of the Sub-Committee's recomendations and subject to the comments reported above, the Executive Committee:

AGREED: to adopt the recommendations made by the Finance Sub-Committee on each of the items recorded above.

18. Whitsunday Call to Prayer

Dr. Visser 't Hooft reported that the Presidents in issuing their call to prayer for Whitsunday would have in mind particularly the Evanston Assembly, and that it was suggested that the Call also include a prayer by Miss Sarah Chakko. It was clear that in some areas the call to prayer received wide attention. Especially the smaller churches felt that the use of the Whitsunday letter was particularly meaningful. It was given wide publicity in America but it was felt that perhaps more could be done in other countries.

19. The Ecumenical History

Dr. Visser 't Hooft reported that the Ecumenical History would appear on March 17th and so would be available well before the Assembly. He spoke especially of the time and labour which had been put in by the editors and the Committee asked that its gratitude be expressed to the Committee on the Ecumenical History, to its Chairman, Dr. Keller, and particularly to those who had done so much of the editorial work - Miss Ruth Rouse and Bishop Stephen Neill.

20. The Penguin Book

The General Secretary said that he was glad to be able to announce that the Bishop of Chichester had written a Penguin book on the World Council of Churches which would be published in June in both Britain and the USA and the Committee asked that it be recorded tha it noted this fact with gratification.

21. Departmental Reports

a) The Ecumenical Institute

Dr. Kraemer regretted that illness and his duties at Bossey had prevented him from being present at many meetings of the Executive Committee. In the period directly ahead the Institute would be faced with a serious staff problem. He had submitted his resignation as Director, Mlle de Dietrich expected to leave after the Evanston Assembly and Dr. Walz would be involved full time in the Department on the Laity. In the period since the meeting in August, Bossey had received the meetings of the Preparatory Commissions and the Advisory Commission on the Main Theme. There had also been a conference on the Rural Problem which had been very helpful. The conference of theologicans and philosophers had proved most profitable and had led to a request that the Institute organize a course which would include both theologians and leading philosophers of a non-Christian point of view. The second Graduate School had not presented the same problems as the first. The Graduate School was still in the process of finding its way, the great problem being to get the right people. The churches had not yet learned to send students of sufficient spiritual maturity and potentiality for church leadership. Dr. Kraemer hoped that the future Director would be a man who not only was accepted as a scholar but who also had the very human qualities needed to make of the Institute a real Christian community.

b) The Department of Inter-Church Aid

Dr. Mackie requested and it was

AGREED to ratify the appointment of Dr. Wynn C. Fairfield to the Administrative Committee of the Department .

Dr. Mackie reported that 1953 had been a year of emergencies, - floods in Holland, the East German refugees and the Greek earthquakes.

After the earthquakes the churches had made provision to provide the fourteen temporary churches needed. He specially noted the gift of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States which had been used for kitchen utensils and communion vessels and the generous gift of 425,000 crowns which had been raised in Sweden to be given to the Greeks through the Greek Church. Yet in spite of the emergencies the regular work of the Department had gone on. 1953 had been an important year for migration. The World Council of Churches had resettled more people than any other of the voluntary agencies - 8,881 people had been moved. There was much nervousness in Germany but an agreement had been reached between the I.C.A., the Lutheran World Service and the D.P. Ausschuss that it was not wise to move Germans from Germany. It was indeed encouraging that while in many areas giving seemed to be decreasing 1953 had seen the churches giving more than ever to the cooperative effort of the I.C.A. There was also an important increase in the giving of the churches outside America. The Asian programme had been agreed on and in Korea the I.C.A. would be acting through the National Christian Council. One great problem was that of the Chinese refugees.

c) Joint Secretary in East Asia

Dr. Manikam reported on the situations in Pakistan, India and Ceylon. In Pakistan there was still no constitution but a Moslem one would likely be adopted in the near future. Many people in the West did not realise that East Pakistan was in fact much more densely populated than the Western pa t. Of 42,000,000 people, 32,000,000 were Moslems and of 106,000 Christians only 30,000 to 40,000 were non-Roman Christians. This meant that the Church was left without leadership. In Ceylon a modest start had been made in the establishment of a Christian institute for the study of Buddhism. The Christian schools were facing some difficulty as government aid was being given only to schools directly controlled by the government. Dr. Manikam felt that there was a lack of cooperation among some of the churches in Ceylon. In India there was much concern on the restriction on the entry of non-Commonwealth missionaries. Archbishop Brilioth had been in touch with Prime Minister Nehru and his intervention had helped considerably. There were in fact more missionaries today in India than ever before but this was due to the great increase in those sent out by the smaller sects. Dr. Manikam had been present at the meeting of the Synod of North India United Church and at the biennial meeting of the Church of South India. In the case of the former a missionary couple had been commissioned to work among Indians in East Africa. The C.S.I. had sent a missionary to Papua and had made significant decisions about its ministry, making plans for a permanent diaconate and also for a part time ministry authorised to celebrate the sacraments.

d) Commission of the Life and Work of Women in the Church

Miss Barot referred to the three tasks of the Commission. In respect to the ecumenical outreach in women's groups she felt that too many women thought of the World Council as something for the clergy but that there were signs of a change of attitude. As far as the study of the place and service of women in the Church was concerned the task of the Commission was much more difficult. In some areas women's place was primarily conceived of in terms of women's groups; in others, however, there was a more serious study of the theological implications and an attempt at a fuller integration of women in the life of the Church. Two kinds of studies were going on: that of man-woman relations which was being continued and a survey of men's and women's organisations in the Church to ascertain whether such organisations were really

essential. It was difficult to integrate women fully into the ecumenical activities since there were all too few women who had responsible positions in their own churches.

e) Faith and Order

Dr. Nelson reported on the meeting of the Faith and Order Working Committee at Bossey which had been very fruitful and called attention of the Executive Committee to the Minutes of that meeting. He called particular attention to the studies which were now being undertaken. The week of prayer for Christian Unity had provoked interest in the churches and the leaflets provided by the Faith and Order Commission had had to be reprinted four times. The American Secretary, Dr. Floyd Tomkins, would retire after Evanston.

22. Adjournment

The Bishop of Chichester called attention to the memorials which had been held for Miss Chakko and Dr. Sisco and the Committee asked the General Secretary to formulate a letter to their respective Church and College.

He expressed the gratitude of the Committee to the Church of Hessen-Nassau and to its President, Dr. Niemöller, for their hospitality, to the Minister-President of Hesse and to the General Secretary and his Staff. The meeting was then concluded with an act of prayer at 11.15 a.m. on Friday, February 5th, 1954.

APPENDIX A

Letter from the Church of Norway about the Basis of Membership of the World Council of Churches

Oslo, 24th November 1953

To the World Council of Churches,
Geneva

In accordance with a suggestion from Bishop Eivind Berggrav, being one of the WCC presidents, the Norwegian Bishops' Meeting 1953 has resolved to place before the World Council of Churches the following proposal concerning the Basis of WCC.

If possible we beg that the matter may be handled by the proper instances and put before the Assembly of Evanston. If this is not possible, we ask the motion to be ordinarily prepared and made the subject of decision on the next Assembly.

During the last year there has been some earnest criticism in our Church concerning the Basis. Two points have been made:

(1) It has generally been thought that the WCC had taken over the so-called "Paris Basis" which is accepted by the Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. The fact that this is wrong had been publically announced in church papers, denouncing that there is an important omission in relation to the Paris Basis, namely the reference that our faith in Christ as God and Saviour is expressed "according to Holy Scripture". This so-called "omission", when now detected, has raised a rather unpleasant surprise.

As to the historical facts, we have been informed that when the WCC chose its present Basis, this was not done by taking over the Paris Basis, which was not at that time mentioned, perhaps even not known to or at least not present in the minds of those who worked out the WCC Basis. The significant words of the Basis were - we are told - taken directly from a saying in the New Testament.

It is clear that one can't speak of an "omission" because it was not intentional. But the fact remains that the difference provokes serious reflection and criticism. Good Christian people ask: Why does the WCC not mention the Bible, which the Paris Basis does?

(2) It is therefore generally felt that the present Basis really is lacking in clear expression of the very <u>basis of the Basis</u>, which as a matter of fact was found in Holy Scripture. The adding of the words "according to the Holy Scripture" would remedy this defect. It might provide for many Christians a most needed clarification and help to strengthen their confidence in the World Council. It simply would be more true.

At the same time we may mention that the <u>Christian</u> way of expression is not that we "accept" Christ, but that we <u>confess</u>.

Accordingly the Church of Norway moves an addition of four words to the Basis, which would then read:

"The World Council of Churches is a fellowship of churches who, according to Holy Scripture, confess Jesus Christ as God and Saviour."

The delegates of our Church to Evanston are instructed to forward this proposal and to advocate it in the Assembly.

On behalf of the Bishops' Meeting of the Church of Norway,

Johannes Smemo

APPENDIX B

Report of the Joint Committee of the International Missionary Council and the World Council of Churches

Königstein, January 29th to February 1st, 1954

S T A T E M E N T

The Joint Committee at its last meeting in July 1952 "saw more clearly than ever before that the inseparable oneness of Mission and Unity, as the deep meaning of the Church's existence, is basic to all the issues the Church has to face in the ecumenical movement". The Committee, therefore, put certain key questions on this subject to the conferences at Willingen and Lund. Thus, in this and other ways, the original impetus of the document on "The Calling of the Church to Mission and Unity", issued by the Central Committee of the WCC at Rolle in 1951, is passing into the thinking of a wider constituency.

Meanwhile another impetus had come from the East Asian Study Consultation which met in December 1952 at Lucknow. That meeting called for still more serious consideration of the relationships between the WCC and the IMC. The Central Committee of the WCC, meeting immediately afterwards at Lucknow, referred this request to the Joint Committee. This was the direct origin of the present meeting at Königstein, Germany.

The work of the Spirit, we believe, is found in the total ecumenical movement of which the WCC and the IMC are two organised manifestations. In reflecting on this, and in the light of recent developments in the relationship of the two bodies, the Joint Committee believes that their association is also a witness to the work of the same Spirit. This association has already been worked out practically in a number of instances with signal success. It has been found possible to arrange for many common tasks to be performed through joint action. The Churches' Commission on International Affairs was established by both bodies and is dependent upon them, while at the same time enjoying considerable freedom in carrying out its functions. The East Asia Secretaryship is a significant expression of our association and an effective instrument of joint action. The responsibility for co-ordinating emergency Inter-Church Aid and Relief outside Europe has been entrusted by both bodies to the Department of Inter-Church Aid and Service to Refugees of the WCC. It has now been proposed that the Division of Studies of the WCC should also be the Division of Studies of the IMC, and that it should include a Department of Missionary Studies of which the Executive Secretary would be the Research Secretary of the IMC. Measures are being taken to ensure closer ties in public relations and information.

While welcoming these developments "in association", and the deepening conviction in many quarters that the two bodies belong together in one calling and purpose, the Joint Committee realises that it has not yet become clear whether this association should necessarily lead to a single organisation or whether it can best be furthered by the joint action of two "autonomous but inter-dependent councils". The Committee is aware that within the constituencies of both bodies there are divergent views on this question. These divergencies indicate the necessity for deeper thought on the whole matter and for a willingness to be led to conclusions which cannot yet be defined.

At the same time the Committee has become increasingly conscious tha there are great issues and intractable problems which vitally concern the evangelistic outreach and world mission of the Church, and which are not being adequately faced by either the IMC or the WCC. Political regionalisation, the destruction of familiar patterns of life, the vitality of non-Christian faiths, are problems which call for attention. The Committee is clear that such matters should not be delegated immediately to an existing department of either body or to a special committee. They require in the first instance careful study to find out how the combined resources in thinking and action of both bodies may be most effectively applied to them. Further, within the worldwide Christian fellowship itself there are new movements which must urgently occupy the attention o both bodies, for example, manifestations of Christian missionary zeal outside the life of the older denominations, and the new awareness among the denominations themselves, partly due to the influence of the ecumenic movement, of their own world-wide confessional groupings. These are matt which call for joint consideration.

The Joint Committee has increasingly become an effective instrument for dealing with matters of common concern. Consequently it has decided to ask the parent bodies to strengthen its membership, and to provide it with a secretariat, so that it can itself undertake this new phase of joint consideration of common problems.

Proposed Constitution of the Joint Committee

(1) The IMC and the WCC shall each officially appoint six representatives to the Joint Committee. In order to secure the best possible coverage of confessions and areas, the officers of both bodies shall consult with each other before nominations are submitted to their respective governing committees.

(2) The officers of the IMC and the WCC, in consultation, shall appoint the chairman of the Joint Committee, who shall be an additional member.

(3) The officers of the IMC and the WCC, in consultation, shall make recommendations to their respective bodies concerning the appointment of the secretariat of the Joint Committee and the methods of financing the appointment.

(4) The General Secretaries of the IMC and the WCC, and such other members of staff as may be required, shall sit with the Joint Committee.

Proposed Functions of the Joint Committee and its Secretariat

The Joint Committee shall be an advisory committee to the IMC and the WCC. It shall have no authority to act independently in its own name. Its functions shall be:

(1) To help the two bodies to keep prominently before their member churches and constituent councils their common responsibility for the evangelistic outreach and world mission of the Church.

(2) To study major aspects of the common tasks confronting the two bodies, and to make specific recommendations concerning the policies to be followed by the two bodies.

(3) To keep under review the ways be which the two bodies are co-operating, and to suggest new ways.

(4) And, in so far as may arise from the above, to continue to study the organisational implications of their developing relationships. Examples are: (a) the study of ways and means whereby the member councils

of the IMC may be constructively related to the work of the WCC and the national councils of churches in countries of the older churches related to the missionary movement; (b) the study of the advantages, disadvantages and implications of a full integration of the IMC and the WCC.

Proposed Plan for the Division of Studies

Consdieration was given to the best way of relating the study work of the WCC and the IMC. A plan was submitted which had been carefully studied by the staff of both bodies and after discussion and modification was passed for submission to the Executive Committee of the WCC and the Ad Interim Committee of the IMC, as follows:

(a) The Division of Studies of the WCC as outlined in the Report of the Committee on Structure and Functioning shall also be the Division of Studies of the IMC.

(b) In addition to the present provisions for Faith and Order, Church and Society, and Evangelism, there shall be a Department of Missionary Studies of which the Research Secretary of the IMC shall be the Executive Secretary.

(c) The Central Committee of the WCC, in appointing the members of the Working Committees for Faith and Order, Church and Society, and Evangelism, shall consult with the IMC. The Administrative Committee of the IMC, in appointing the members of the Working Committee of the Department of Missionary Studies, shall consult with the WCC. The Central Committee of the WCC, in appointing the additional members of the Divisional Committee, shall consult the IMC.

(d) The Associate General Secretary of the WCC responsible for the Division, and the Executive Secretaries for Faith and Order, Church and Society, and Evangelism, shall be appointed, and their salaries and expenses paid by the WCC. The Executive Secretary of the Department of Missionary Studies shall be appointed, and his salary and expenses paid, by the IMC. The expenses of the Working Committee of the Department of Missionary Studies shall also be met by the IMC.

(e) The members of staff of the Division shall work under the leadership of the responsible Associate General Secretary, but the location of the Department of Missionary Studies shall be left for the IMC to decide.

Report on East Asia, Africa and Latin America

East Asia

(1) The decisions of the Bangkok Conference which led to the appointment of a Joint Secretary of the WCC and the IMC for East Asia have been justified by the experience of the past three years. The Secretary has rendered effective pastoral service to the churches and Christian councils of the region and has established his position as the accepted interpreter and symbol of the two bodies which he represents.

(2) The work of the East Asia Secretary in the next phase should continue the pastoral emphasis but include the task of relating the various activities of the WCC and IMC to the life and work of the churches and councils in the region.

(3) Less continuous travel will be required than during the past three years. Such travel as is undertaken should normally be related to specific tasks or occasions.

(4) It is, therefore, desirable that an office of the East Asia Secretary be established in a suitable centre. In the present circumstances this might, for the time being, be located in India.

(5) The parent bodies should consult and decide regarding any budget adjustments which may be necessary.

(6) The Committee recommends the nomination of Dr. R.B. Manikam for appointment as Joint East Asia Secretary for a further period of three years from January 1st, 1955.

Africa

(1) In reviewing the total situation in Africa (south of the Sahara) the Committee noted the following facts:

(a) The growth of a new African self-consciousness.
(b) The acuteness of the racial problem in many parts of Africa and the need for the Christian Church to play a constructive role in relation to it.
(c) The rapid increase in industrialisation and the consequent disintegration of African patterns of life.
(d) The need for education in responsible Christian citizenship
(e) The intensity of the encounter between an advancing Islam and a growing Christian community.
(f) The necessity for a deeper understanding of what an indigenous Church should be.

(2) These facts point to the urgent need for a regional approach to Africa and closer co-operation between churches and between Christian councils in Africa.

(3) The Joint Committee recommends that the IMC be asked to take the initiative (on behalf of both WCC and IMC) in assisting councils, churches and missionary societies to discover what further co-operative action, especially on a regional basis, may be taken to meet these needs.

(4) In the judgment of this Committee it is advisable that a special Africa Committee (or Commission) be set up, administratively related to the IMC, but with adequate WCC representation, and that this committee should report from time to time to the Joint Committee.

Latin America

(1) Looking at the Christian task in the world, the Joint Committee is aware of the need in Latin America for increased regional co-operation, and for relating such co-operation to the world Christian fellowship.

(2) The Committee recognises that this must be worked out in Latin America - possible by a conference convened and held within the region. It is therefore recommended that Dr. John Mackay and the Rev. Rudolfo Anders, as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the IMC, be asked to consult with Christian leaders in Latin America as to the best means of achieving a comprehensive consultation in Latin America on these matters, or alternative means for achieving the ends in view.

The Commission of the Churches on International Affairs

The Joint Committee received from Dr. Nolde a report on the recent activities of CCIA. It recommended strongly to the two bodies that this Commission should be continued on its present basis, which had proved so satisfactory. It noted the need for increased income to the CCIA in order to deal more realistically with the present obligations as regards staff; the need to strengthen the international character of the officers and staff; the inevitable limitation of the range of the

Commission, even in the matter of denials of religious liberty; and the new possibilities of co-operation with the Division of Studies and the Department of Information in securing a wider participation on the part of the membership of the churches in the issues dealt with by the Commission.

The Christian Approach to the Jews

The Joint Committee noted:

(a) that this subject would appear on the agenda of the Section on Evangelism of the Evanston Assembly

(b) that the symposium to be published on this subject was to be made available to the members of that Section

(c) that the World Council is now represented by three members on the Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews

(d) but that it had not proved possible to give such full and concentrated attention to this subject as it deserves in view of its inherent importance

and decided

that this subject should be fully discussed at one of the first meetings of the Joint Committee after the summer of 1954 and that the Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews be asked to prepare for the Joint Committee the documentation required for this discussion.

Department of Information

The suggestion that the IMC might care to utilise the facilities of the new Department of Information of the WCC was welcomed and the following points were made:

(1) the IMC might be consulted about the membership of the Committee of the Department so as to ensure that its interests were represented;

(2) the channels of the Department in relation to an Article Service, relations with the secular press and all means of interpreting the ecumenical movement should be made available to the IMC;

(3) the WCC should be brought more fully into active co-operation in the production of the World Christian Handbook;

(4) there might be common promotion for the International Review of Missions and the Ecumenical Review where such seemed advisable.

APPENDIX C

Letter from the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the World Council of Churches to the four Foreign Ministers.

The following letter was sent to each of the Foreign Ministers meeting in Berlin, on behalf of the Executive Committee of the World Council of Churches

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February 4th, 1954

Dear Sir,

The Executive Committee of the World Council of Churches which has been in session these days at Königstein has followed with its thoughts and prayers the deliberations of the Foreign Ministers' Conference at Berlin. In addressing this letter to you I reflect the concern and hopes not only of the leaders who are here assembled from many lands but also of the churches and Christians whom they represent.

We are conscious of the difficulties and complexities which you face as you seek solutions of the problems before you. We know that a commonly acceptable plan to restore Germany and Austria to the position of freedom and independence which they should now hold in a responsible world society is not easy to find. Yet we believe that this objective can and must be achieved in a way which will heed the legitimate desires of these nations and their people and which will not impose discriminatory restrictions upon them. Reconciliation will be most surely effected and safeguards for all parties against future aggression most securely provided by building a community of mutual responsibility and co-operation.

We are confident that substantial progress on concrete issues can be made at the Berlin Conference and that a better climate would thus be created for the solution of problems in various parts of the world. In view of previous negotiations we hope that difficulties will be overcome and an agreement reached on a Peace Treaty with Austria. We believe that the world is looking to the Berlin Conference for a conclusive decision on the steps leading to a Treaty of Peace with Germany. If an immediate and full agreement should prove impossible, the Conference ought certainly to offer a much more secure prospect of a German Peace Treaty and arrangements ought to be promptly made whereby the hitherto separated parts of the German people can be most naturally and closely related to each other.

In expressing these views to you we do not ask for agreements which are bought by forsaking sound principle and which would tend to build false hopes. We respectfully urge you to guard against despair and to persevere in the effort to move forward in concrete action for the relief of threatening tensions. The very atmosphere

in which the four-power conference is concluded and the extent to which there is a commitment to further co-operation will largely determine whether the peoples of the world will regard the prospect of securing peace among the nations with or without hope.

We and our fellow Christians of many nations will continue to pray that God may grant you and your colleagues wisdom and understanding, and bring your deliberations to a successful result.

Respectfully yours,

George Cicestr:

Bishop of Chichester,
Chairman of the Executive Cttee.

APPENDIX D

Programme of the Evanston Assembly

August

Sat. 14 — Arrival and Registration

Sun. 15

10:00 a.m.
Opening Service of Worship (First Methodist Church)
All Presidents participating

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Opening Plenary Session
Pres.Off. Dr. Boegner
Presentation of Main Theme
Speakers: Bishop Newbigin
Prof. Schlink
Prof. Calhoun

8:00 p.m.
Soldier Field

Mon. 16

Worship

10:00 - 12:00 a.m.
Plenary Session
Pres. Off. Bishop Oxnam
Constituting Actions for Assembly
Report of Central Committee
General Secretary's Report

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Plenary Session
Pres. Off. Bishop Oxnam
General Discussion
Report of Structure and Functioning
Assembly Arrangements

8:00 p.m.
Plenary Session
Pres. Off. Bishop Jacob
Report of Secretariat for Evangelism
Speaker: Dr. Hoekendijk
Presentation of Section on Evang.
Speaker: Mr. Niles
(invited) Canon Wedel

Tues. 17

Worship

10:00 - 12:00 a.m.
Main Theme: Group Discussion

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Main Theme: Group Discussion

3:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Hearing, Structure and Functioning

8:00 p.m.
Plenary Session
Pres.Off. Archbishop Brilioth
Report of Faith and Order
Speaker Canon Tomkins
Presentation of Section on Unity
Speakers Bishop Nygren
(invited) Dr. Devadutt
Prof.Florovsky

Wed. 18	Worship 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. Plenary Session Pres.Off. Dr. Fry Discussion and Adoption of Structure and Functioning Report	2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Main Theme: Group Discussion	8:00 p.m. Pres. Off. Bishop Berggrav Presentation of Section on the Responsible Society Speaker: Dr. Pati Address: (invited Asia and Africa ask Searching Questions: Speakers: Dr. Malik Rev. Dagadu
Thur.19	Worship 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. Main Theme: Group Discussion	3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Committees on W.C.C. Business	S y m p h o n y
Fri. 20	Worship 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. Committees on W.C.C. Business	2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Committees on W.C.C. Business 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. Confessional meetings as desired	8:00 p.m. Pres. Off. Archbishop of Canterbury Report of C.C.I.A. Speaker Dr. Nolde Presentation of Section on International Affairs Speaker: Dr. Leimen (invited
Sat. 21	Worship 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. Pres. Off. Archbishop Athenagoras Presentation of: Section on Race Speaker - Dr. Mays and Dr. Marais Section on Vocation Speaker: Dr.F.P.Miller Report of Ecumenical Institute Speaker: Dr. Kraemer	3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Committees on W.C.C. Business	8:00 p.m. Service of Preparation for Communion Dr. Payne

un. 22	Worship Holy Communion	Free	8:00 p.m. Pres. Off.: Dr. Boegner Report of Department of ICA and Service to Refugees
on. 23	Worship 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. Sections	3:00 - 5:00 p.m. W.C.C. Business Committees	8:00 p.m. Pres.Off.: Archbishop Athenagoras Report of Study Dpt. Speaker: Dr. Van Dusen Report of Women's Comm. Speaker: Mlle Barot Report of Youth Department Speaker: Mr. Potter
ues.24	Worship 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. Sections	3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Sections	8:00 p.m. Pres. Off.: Dr. Mackay Report of Joint Secretary in East Asia Speaker: Dr. Manikam Address: "Worldwide Evangelism in this generation" Speakers: Dr. Ranson, Rev. Chandu Ray
ed. 25	Worship 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. Sections	3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Sections	8:00 p.m. Pres. Off.: Archbishop of Canterbury Plenary Session:Main Theme
hur.26	Worship 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. Plenary Session Pres.Off. Archbishop of Canterbury Main Theme	3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Plenary Session Pres. Off.: Bishop Oxnam W.C.C. Business	F r e e

Fri. 27	Worship 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. Plenary Session Pres.Off.: Bishop of Chichester Sections	3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Plenary Session Pres. Off. Dr. F.C. Fry W.C.C. Business	8:00 p.m. Pres.Off. Bishop of Chichester Address: "Tensions of th world and unitv in Chris Speakers: Mrs.Karefa-Sma (I Archbishop Michael Bishop Berggrav
Sat. 28	Worship 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. Plenary Session Pres. Off. Dr. Van Dusen Sections	F r e e	8:00 p.m. Plenary Session Pres. Off.: Bishop Oxnam W.C.C. Business
Sun. 29	Worship	4:30 p.m. Pres. Off. Bishop Berggrav Address: "The Church's Dependence on God; its Independence from Men" Speakers: Prof. Niebuhr (invited) Bishop Dibelius	8:00 p.m. Plenary Session Pres. Off. Dr. Van Dusen Sections
Mon. 30	Worship 10:00 - 12:00 a.m. Plenary Session Pres. Off.:Dr. Boegner Sections	3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Plenary Session Pres.Off.: Bishop of Chichester W.C.C. Business	8:00 p.m. Plenary Session Pres. Off.: Archbishop of Canterbury W.C.C. Business
Tues.31	9:00 - 11:30 a.m. Plenary Session Pres. Off. Bishop Oxnam Sections 11:30 a.m. Closing Worship		

APPENDIX E

Conduct of Business at the Assembly

Introduction

The Business of the Assembly will be conducted in three separate stages:

a) Near the beginning of the Assembly certain matters must be voted so that the Assembly may proceed with its business.

b) Most matters dealing with the on-going functions of the Council will be dealt with in the Working Committees.*)

c) Plenary sessions after the meetings of the Working Committees will receive the reports of these committees, discuss them and vote on any specific recommendations contained therein.

First Stage

A. Sessions

1st Session:	Monday, August 16th	10 - 12:00 a.m.
2nd Session:	Monday, August 16th	3 - 5:00 p.m.
3rd Session:	Wednesday, August 18th	10 - 12:00 a.m.

B. Constituting Actions (Monday, August 16th, morning)

1. Call to Order - (Constituting Prayer) (Actually on Sunday Aug.15)
2. Adoption of the Programme and Agenda on recommendation of the Executive Committee (Rules II 3)
3. Presentation of proposals of the Executive Committee for chairmanship of the Assembly.
4. Presentation of proposals of Executive Committee for officers and membership of the Business Committee*) of the Assembly.
5. Presentation of proposals for officers and membership of Nominations Committee.
6. Presentation of proposals for officers and membership of the Credentials Committee.
7. 8: Appointment of officers of groups on the Main Theme.
9. Appointment of officers for Assembly Sections.

Appointment of Press and Broadcasting Committee

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*) Since the Rules refer (II 1a, p. 203, Amsterdam Report) to the "Business Committee of the Assembly", this term should be used instead of "Steering Committee". Regular Committees are therefore called "Working Committees".

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APPENDIX F

PRE-ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

A.

Preparatory Commissions

International Affairs	Aug. 9 - 11	University of Chicago
Faith and Order (Working Committee)	Aug. 11-13	"
Evangelism	Aug. 12- 13	"
Responsible Society	Aug. 11- 13	"
Intergroup Relations	Aug. 12- 13	"
Laity	Aug. 12- 13	"

B.

Other Meetings

Executive Committee	Aug. 10- 11	University of Chicago
Central Committee	Aug. 12- 13	"
C.C.I.A.	Aug. 11- 13 (14)	"
Study Department Committee	Aug. 14	"
Main Theme Group Leaders	Aug. 13- 14	"
Faith and Order Commission	Aug. 14	Northwestern University
Worship Committee	Aug. 14	"
Youth Delegation	Aug. 9- 14	Lake Forest
Consultation of the Commission of the Commission on the Life and Work of Women in the Church	Aug. 9 - 14	Lake Forest

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POST-ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

Central Committee	Sept. 1-3	First Methodist Church.Evanston
Faith & Order Commission	Sept. 3-7	McCormick Theological Seminary,
Nuclei of Divisional Committee	Undecided	Not decided Chicago
WCC-WCCE Youth Department Ctees.	Sept. 2-7	Conference Point, Lake Geneva

10. Presentation of proposals for officers and membership in the Working Committees and Sub-Committees.

11. Presentation of proposals of the Central Committee concerning admission to membership of churches which have applied since Lucknow and voting on seating of delegates from these churches. (Executive in February needs to make recommendations for number of seats likely to be given to these churches).

C. Report of the Central Committee (Monday, August 16th, morning)

(To be received by the Assembly)

D. State-ment of the General Secretary (Monday, August 16th, morning)

(Not to be voted on as it will be more of a statement on the present condition of the Council than a report).

E. Report of the Credentials Committee (Monday,August 16th, afternoon)

F. General Discussion on the State of the Council (Mon.,Aug.16, afternoon)

Based on the report of Central Committee and General Secretary's Report.

G. Report of the Committee on Structure and Functioning (Mon.,16, p.m. and Wednesday,18, a.m.)

Because of the nature of the recommendation of the Committee on Structure and Functioning it is necessary that it be acted upon early in the Assembly. (See Lucknow Minutes, Appendix 4, p.77, sec. II b,c.) Therefore the following plan is offered for handling it:

1. Presentation of Report in Plenary. (Monday, 16th, p.m.)

(All delegates will have received it in printed form well in advance of the Assembly).

2. Hearing by the Committee. (Tuesday, 17th, 3-6:00 p.m.)

A hearing will be held by the Committee on Structure and Functioning on Tuesday afternoon at which any delegates particularly interested in making recommendations may do so. The Main Theme groups would meet from 3 - 5:00 p.m. as scheduled.

3. Discussion and Adoption in substance. (Wednesday, 18th, a.m.)

The morning of Wednesday, August 18th, will be devoted to a full discussion and adoption of the Report of the Committee. The resolution would be moved as follows:

"that the report be received and its recommendations be adopted subject to budgetary provisions".

N.B. This means that the Assembly has in fact a final check on the specific proposals of the Structure and Functioning Committee when it accepts the report of the Finance Committee. It is also understood that the wording of the Aims and Functions might be revised in the light of the discussion in Working Committees.

Second Stage

Business in Working Committees

A. Five Sessions as follows:

1)	Thursday, 19th	3 - 5:00 p.m.
2)	Friday, 20th	10 - 12:00 a.m.
3)	Friday, 20th	2 - 4:00 p.m.
4)	Saturday, 21st	3 - 5:00 p.m.
5)	Monday, 23rd	3 - 5:00 p.m.

B. These Committees are set up in the light of the Structure and Functioning Report:

1) Committee One - General Policy - to deal with:

a) The Basis
b) Membership Policy
c) Policy with regard to Public Pronouncements
d) Relations with I.M.C.
e) Points of Structure and Functioning referred to this Committee
f) Amendments to Constitution
g) Any other points arising out of the Report of the Central Committee or the Message of the General Secretary.

2) Committee Two - Division of Studies

To meet as one Committee at least during the 1st and 5th sessions. To divide also in sub-committees at least on :

a) Department of Evangelism
b) Department on Faith and Order
c) Department on Church and Society

3) Committee Three - Division of Ecumenical Action

To meet as one Committee at least during the 1st and 5th sessions. To divide also in sub-committees at least on :

a) Ecumenical Institute
b) Department on the Laity
c) Department on the Cooperation of Men and Women in Church and Society
d) Youth Department

4) Committee Four - Division of I.C.A. and Service to Refugees

To meet as one Committee at least during the 1st and 5th sessions. To divide also in sub-committees as desired.

5) Committee Five - Department of Information

6) Committee Six - Department of Finance and Administration

7) Committee Seven - The Commission of the Churches on International Affairs

C. These Committees will have as the basis for their Agenda, the sections in the Workbook prepared for that purpose.

D. A Committees' Coordinating Group made up of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary , of each of the Committees and Chairmen of the sub-committees will meet to clear any overlapping points in the different committees and to supervise the development of the committees' work generally.

E. Each Committee will prepare a short report to be presented to the Assembly in Plenary Sessions. These reports should be edited by a Drafting Committee to be appointed by each Working Committee and be ready for translation and mimeographing before 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 24th. Only one report should be presented for each Working Committee - not separate reports for sub-committees.

Third Stage

Plenary Session of the Assembly on W.C.C. Business

A. Five Sessions:

Thursday,	August 26th	3 - 5:00 p.m.
Friday,	August 27th	3 - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday,	August 28th	8 - 10:00 p.m.
Monday,	August 30th	10 - 12:00 a.m.
Monday,	August 30th	3 - 5:00 p.m.

B. The Assembly will receive the reports of the Committees and adopt specific recommendations contained therein.

C. The Plenary Sessions on Business will also need to act on the following matters:

1) receive the report of the Nominations Committee and elect Presidents and members of Central Committee; *)

2) install Presidents;

3) receive resolutions from the Business Committee of the Assembly and vote on them.

4) Resolutions of Appreciation

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*) The report of the Nominations Committee will need to be taken up as soon as possible. This means that it will probably need to be received before Thursday, August 26th, so that some provision may need to be made for Assembly Business to that extent between Wednesday morning, August 18th and Thursday evening, August 26th.

APPENDIX G

PROPOSED OUTLINE FOR HANDBOOK

It is recognised that the staff may have to add items as plans develop further.

1. Table of contents (very full - almost an index)
2. Welcome: General Board of the National Council of Churches, U.S.A.
3. Greetings: Northwestern University
4. List and sentence description of official Assembly preparatory documents
5. Arrangements for Worship
6. Assembly Programme.
   A full outline of the schedule, with descriptive material as needed
7. Rules of debate : Plenary, Section and Committee meetings
8. Assembly Officers
   Presiding officers
   Business Committee and sub-committees (press, worship, etc.)
   Main Theme Group Chairmen
   Sections officers
   Committee officers
   Administration
9. Addresses of principal Assembly officers
   Administration
   Information
   Press
   Mail-outgoing
   Store
   Bookstore
10. Press arrangements
    General description. Rules for photographs
11. Transportation to McGaw Hall
12. Photograph Exhibit
13. Youth delegation
14. Confessional Meetings
    Time and places
15. Visitors' programme
16. Preaching on August 29th
17. Mail-incoming and outgoing
18. Acknowledgments
19. Order of Evening Worship
20. Map.

APPENDIX H (a)

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Summary of First Estimate of Expenditure on General Budget for 1953 compared with 1953 Budget and of Suggested Expenditure Budget for 1954

U.S.Dollars

		1953		1954 Proposed Budget
		Budget	Estimated Actual	
General Secretariat				
Geneva	$	65,280	57,159.67	60,350
New York		36,300	38,628.49	46,000
London		2,490	2,840.16	n/c
Far East		3,000	2,561.99	n/c
(sub-total)		(107,070)	(101,190.31)	(111,840)
Study		38,550	38,374.13	35,160
Youth				
Geneva		21,180	20,918.39	n/c
New York		16,000	12,265.12	11,000
(sub-total)		(37,180)	(33,183.51)	(32,180)
Evangelism		7,010	4,178.48	n/c
Women's Work		8,650	7,297.50	n/c
Library		3,800	4,116.17	n/c
Faith and Order				
European Expenses		11,210	9,630.15	14,830
American Expenses		6,500	6,459.77	n/c
(sub-total)		(17,710)	(16,089.92)	(21,330)
Ecumenical Institute		60,000	56,596.88	n/c
Finance and Administration		-	-	-
Reserve for Second Assembly		20,000	20,000.-	35,000
General Reserve		20,000	20,000.-	5,000
Grants to:				
C.C.I.A.		32,030	32,030.-	n/c
E.P.S.		3,000	3,000.-	n/c
	$	355,000	336,056.90	n/c

Note: n/c = no change from 1953 budget

Geneva,
January 23, 1954

APPENDIX H (b)

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Summary of First Estimate of Expenditure on General Budget for 1953 compared with 1953 Budget and of Suggested Expenditure Budget for 1954

Swiss francs

		1953		1954 Proposed Budget
		Budget	Estimated Actual	
General Secretariat				
Geneva	Fr	279,400	244,643.39	258,280
New York		155,360	165,329.94	196,880
London		10,660	12,155.88	n/c
Far East		12,840	10,965.30	n/c
(sub-total)		(458,260)	(433,094.51)	(478.660)
Study		165,000	164,241.27	150,500
Youth				
Geneva		90,660	89,530.71	n/c
New York		68,480	52,494.71	47,080
(sub-total)		(159,140)	(142,025.42)	(137,740)
Evangelism		30,000	17,883.91	n/c
Women's Work		37,000	31,233.32	n/c
Library		16,250	17,617.20	n/c
Faith and Order				
European Expenses		48,000	41,217.05	63,500
American Expenses		27,820	27,647.82	n/c
(sub-total)		(75,820)	(68,864.87)	(91,320)
Ecumenical Institute		256,800	242,234.65	n/c
Finance and Administration		-	-	-
Reserve for Second Assembly		85,600	85,600.-	149,800
General Reserve		85,600	85,600.-	21,400
Grants to:				
C.C.I.A.		137,090	137,090.-	n/c
E.P.S.		12,840	12,840.-	n/c
	Fr	1,519,400	1,438,325.15	n/c

Note: n/c = no change from 1953 budget

Geneva,
January 23, 1954

APPENDIX I

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Expenditure Budget for Evanston Assembly

	Dollars	
	As adopted Febr. 1952	Suggested revised Budget
Preparatory Work		
1. Advisory Commission Meetings	$ 15,000	11,250
2. Study Meetings	18,750	17,500
3. Printing and Cyclostyle	13,250	13,250
4. Study Dept. Expenses	19,500	19,500
5. Preparations in Asia	8,500	8,500
6. Office Staff, New York	12,500	13,000
7. Office Rent, New York	2,500	2,500
8. Staff Travel	2,000	2,000
	(92,000)	(87,500)
Assembly		
9. Office Staff, Evanston	10,500	10,500
10. Printing	45,800	45,500
11. Office Supplies and Equipment	2,500	3,500
12. Music	500	-
13. Press Room Equipment	1,200	500
14. Translations	9,000	9,000
15. WCC Staff Travel	12,500	12,500
16. Travel Subsidies	64,500	64,500
17. Accommodation Staff Evanston	11,000	11,000
18. Services - Northwestern University	6,000	10,000
19. Bus Service	4,000	10,000
20. Postage and Shipping	3,000	3,000
21. Unforeseen	5,000	-
	(175,500)	(180,000)
	$ 267,500	267,500

Finance and Administration Department,
Geneva,
January 27, 1954